

SENATOR R. LEWIS: I'll reserve my questions until Select File.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Alright, thank you. The closing has been made. The motion is whether to advance LB 85 to E & R initial. All those in favor vote aye. Opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record the vote, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 36 ayes, 2 nays, 9 present and not voting, 2 absent and not voting.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: LB 85 is advanced to E & R initial. LB 116.

CLERK: (Read title to LB 116.) There are no committee amendments or other amendments pending.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Chair recognizes Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: Mr. Chairman, members of the Legislature. LB 116 is a bill that has to do with abandoned motor vehicles as they are abandoned within the city limits, or within the county, or on state property. This bill provides that when a motor vehicle is abandoned on state property the county would have the responsibility, the county within the area where this motor vehicle, whether it be a trailer or an automobile, would be responsible for picking up this vehicle and discharging the responsibilities thereby. The reason for this is that counties, as I understand it, do have a lot whereby they can store these vehicles and attempt to find the owners, identify the owners and then process the disposal of the automobile. There is not a great deal of expense connected with it. But when the state has to pick it up it is a great deal of expense. The testimony coming from the Department was that generally an automobile of this nature, when it is disposed of, will maybe bring \$10, \$25 or \$50, but the expense of towing it in and storing it in a commercial storage and paying all of the expenses it will run from \$200 to \$500. There is a great deal of loss. It was felt that the counties could process the disposal of this automobile, or this trailer, or whatever the vehicle may be for a much lesser expense. The Committee acted in favor of it. There was an amendment suggested by the lobbyists, by Jerry Stromer, for the counties suggesting that the expense of the county in disposing of the vehicle should be again taken back to the state. The Committee, in its deliberations, felt that this amendment should not be adopted in that the red tape of getting this expense claim back to the state would probably nullify all that it cost in that the sale again would have to be ... the revenue generated from the sale of the automobile would have to be subtracted and there may not be a great deal of difference. I move the advancement of LB 116.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Motion has been made to advance to E & R initial. Is there any further discussion on LB 116? Senator Kahle. Chair recognizes Senator Kahle.

SENATOR KAHLE: Does this have anything to do with vehicles that are left within the city limits?